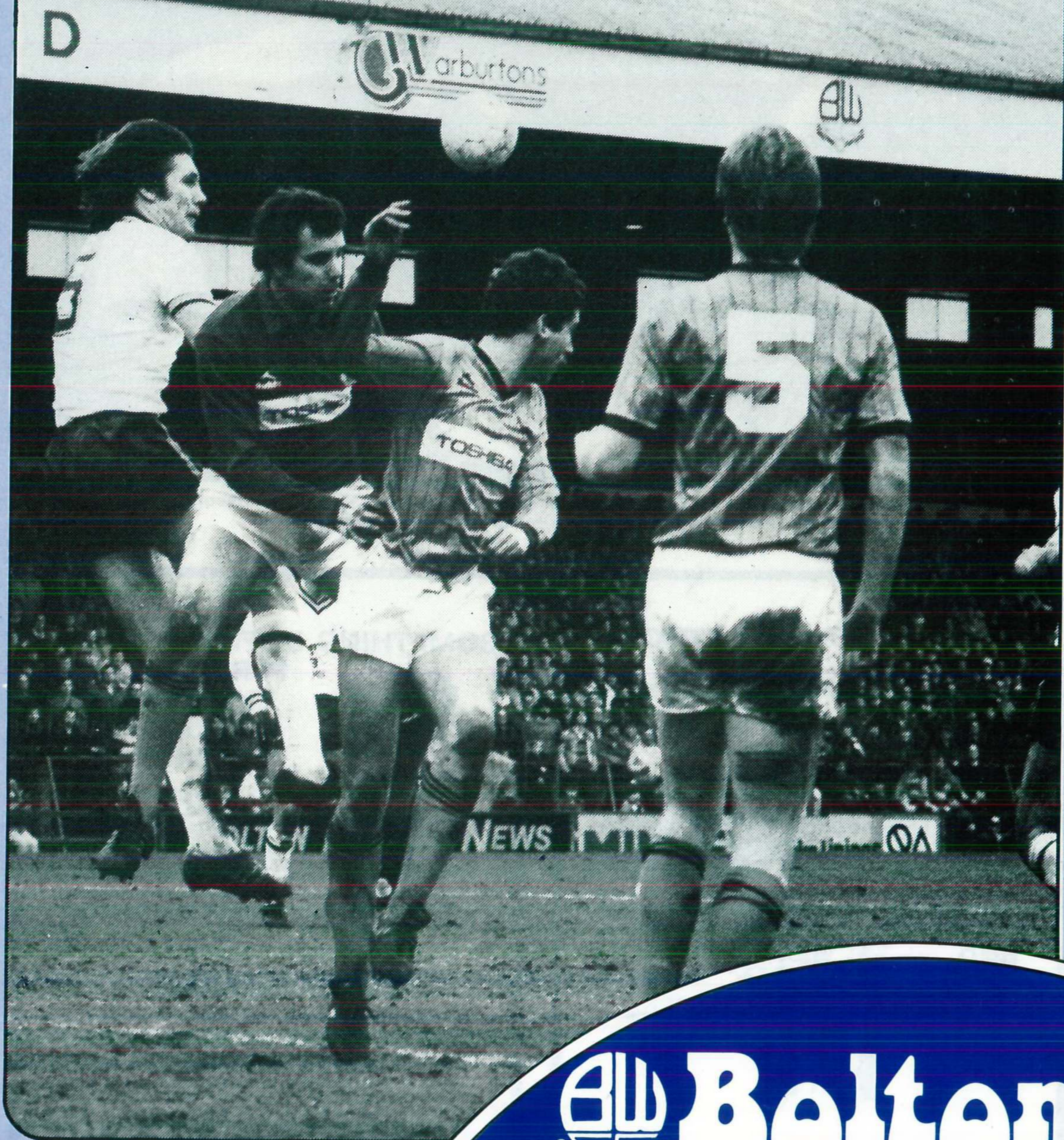


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John McGovern

For tonight's match we have Lincoln City, managed by Colin Murphy, who for a short time used to be my trainer at Derby County.

Colin is one of the most enthusiastic coaches in the game but he's had his share of traumatic events at the club, ranging from boardroom squabbles to players contemplating strike action over wages and bonus schemes!

His dealings on the transfer market have brought in over £300,000 to the club while still retaining a capable squad of players.

To sell your best players obviously creates serious problems for a manager. Thankfully here at Bolton we are not under that same sort of pressure at the moment.

Situations change of course but I have the confidence that the squad of players we have here at Burnden Park will be pushing for promotion in the near future.

There are never any guarantees in football but when your board of directors employ you and give you the kind of backing I have had, it gives you a feeling of working on a steady ship.

The Lifeline scheme obviously gave us a breathing space and the young players tasting their first season as regulars have helped breathe fresh life into the club.

Speaking of the youngsters, the match we played at Lincoln back in November proved in my eyes that they had graduated in their careers simply



because of being able to hold their own in such a highly competitive game.

Now we know that the players are a capable group. So the main thing we strive for is to perfect the players' individual and collective skills.

Pride and ambition allied to the ability that we now know we have should point towards a brighter future for Bolton Wanderers.

FRONT COVER: Gerry McElhinney climbs high to beat the Bristol Rovers' defence in the air.

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LINCOLN CITY

LINCOLN CITY HAVE GROUND TO MAKE UP

By Tony Pullein

It's beginning to look as if Lincoln City will again miss out on promotion. Since scoring a fine 2-1 home win over Walsall on Boxing Day, the Red Imps failed to win any of their next five games and were gradually sliding out of contention.

They halted their slide by defeating Brentford 2-0 at Sincil Bank a fortnight ago but then lost at Bournemouth (0-3).

There's still time for them to recover, of course, but each point dropped now will need an even bigger effort to make up.

Lincoln have won three away games so far in the League — at Exeter (3-0) Preston (2-1) and Port Vale (1-0). Two away matches have been drawn, at Rotherham (1-1) and Plymouth (2-2) but all their other away trips ended in defeat at Oxford (0-3), Brentford (0-3), Hull (0-2), Wigan (0-2), Newport (0-1), Gillingham (0-2), Wimbledon (1-3) and Southend (0-2).

The Red Imps won at Port Vale (2-1) in the first round of the F.A. Cup but, after being held at home by Sheffield United (0-0) at the next stage, they lost the replay 0-1.

In the Milk Cup they beat Hull City 3-1 on aggregate but then went out to Tottenham (3-4 on aggregate) in the second round.

Over the last few weeks, manager Colin Murphy has signed two new centre-backs — Alan Walker, from Telford United, and Mike Saxby, on loan from Luton.

Ross Jack, a close-season signing from Norwich, and George Shipley, the one-time Southampton player, have become their chief goalscorers.

Goalkeeper David Felgate is now Wales' substitute goalkeeper and he's waiting anxiously for the chance to pick up his first full cap.

It's now 23 years since Lincoln City last played in the Second Division and it looks as if they may well miss promotion for the second successive season. They seemed certain to go up last season until an internal split led to the resignation of the entire board of directors.

The turmoil that followed inevitably affected team performances and, after leading the table with a six-point lead over the fourth club at this time last season, the Red Imps eventually missed by six points.

Lincoln are one of the oldest clubs in the Football League. Formed in 1883, they became founder members of the Second Division in 1892. They were

voted out in 1908 but regained their place a year later.

The Red Imps were ejected again in 1911, once again to regain admission within a year. They were thrown out of the League for the third time in 1920 but, fortunately for them, the new Third Division (North) was founded in 1921 so, yet again, they were deprived of League soccer for only one season.

For many years Lincoln floundered in the lower half of the Northern section table but in 1927/28 they emerged as surprise challengers for promotion. They eventually missed out, though.

They finally battled their way back into the Second Division in 1932 when they beat Gateshead on goal-average for the championship of the Northern Section. Two years later they were back in Division Three, remaining until taking the championship again in 1948. This time they were relegated at the end of their first season but they bounced back again in 1952 for their last spell of Second Division play.

Relegation overtook them in 1961 and a year later they dropped into Division Four for the first time. They stayed there for a long time.

In 1975 they were robbed of promotion when they lost their final game. But they made no mistake the following season when they smashed all previous League records by totalling 74 points.

Manager Graham Taylor left for Watford in 1977 and the club went through a period of instability, leading to relegation in 1979. By then Colin Murphy was in charge and he decided to rebuild from scratch.

Under him, the Red Imps took runners-up spot in 1981 and they have since been building for a return to Division Two.

Lincoln know they have the ability to support Second Division football if they produce a winning team. As they built their promotion bid last season, attendances rose to close to 6,000 whilst their Christmas clash with promotion rivals Huddersfield drew 11,829 to Sincil Bank.

When the crash came, gates dropped alarmingly and their final home game against Gillingham drew a mere 2,241 — their smallest League gate of the season.

This season's attendances have been hovering around the 4,000 mark on average, in spite of comparatively disappointing results. But if they can gain promotion there is every prospect of increasing that figure by at least fifty per cent.

They have much ground to make up if they are to achieve promotion this season. But, even if they do miss again, the formula is now right and the Red Imps would clearly be a leading contender next term.

DAVID FELGATE (Goalkeeper). Former Bolton player David was Wales' substitute goalkeeper for their recent European Championship tie in Bulgaria and is ambitious to win his first cap. He didn't come into contention for the first-team job here at Burnden Park but he spent the entire 1978/79 season in Rochdale's League team as a loan player. The following season he was loaned to Crewe, Bradford City and Rochdale again. It was after his 1980 transfer to Lincoln that he began to spread roots and he has been their first-choice ever since.

GORDON SIMMONITE (Defender). Gordon served his apprenticeship with Rotherham but didn't get into their first-team. He made one brief appearance in the Sheffield Wednesday side in 1976/77 but then went non-League with Boston United. Blackpool signed him in 1980 and it was with them that he finally established himself in League soccer. Lincoln signed him last season.

ALAN WALKER (Defender). Alan was signed from Telford United earlier this season and has quickly established himself in the League side. Alan was captain of Telford and played for them at Wembley last season when they defeated Northwich Victoria 2-1 in the F.A. Challenge Trophy final.

MIKE SAXBY (Defender). Mike was signed on loan from Luton a few weeks ago. He began his career with Mansfield and Luton paid a then club record £200,000 to sign him in 1979. Last season he spent a loan period with Grimsby.

PHIL NEALE (Defender). Phil, who also plays County Cricket, has been in the Lincoln side since 1974/75 and he chalked up his 250th appearance in League soccer last season.

STEVE THOMPSON (Defender). Steve was signed from neighbouring Boston United for £30,000 and had been holding his own since his debut three seasons ago, until dropping out a few weeks ago.

GLENN COCKERILL (Midfield). Glenn began his career with Lincoln but was sold to Swindon for £110,000 in 1980. He didn't really settle in Wiltshire, though, and in 1981 Lincoln were able to buy him back again for only £40,000. Two seasons ago he was top scorer with 12 goals.

KEITH HOUGHTON (Midfield). Keith came to prominence as a member of the Blyth Spartans' side that battled its way into the fifth round of the F.A. Cup in 1978. Carlisle then kept tabs on him but it wasn't until 1980 that they persuaded him to turn professional. Keith made almost 100 first-team appearances for the Cumbrians before joining Lincoln last summer.

PHIL TURNER (Midfield). Phil is another player to graduate from the youth team. He came into the League team in 1979/80 and has been a fixture for about four years now.

GARY STRODDER (Midfield). Gary completed his apprenticeship at Sincil Bank and made his League debut last season. He has been proving a most versatile player this season, turning out in defence, midfield and attack.

MARSHALL BURKE (Midfield). Marshall is a former Scotland Youth international who served his apprenticeship with Burnley. After making a couple of dozen first-team appearances for the Clarets, he moved to Leeds in 1980. But he stayed only a few weeks before linking with Blackburn. Lincoln signed him last season.

JOHN THOMAS (Forward). Another ex-Bolton player, John began his professional career with Everton but didn't get into their First Division side. After loan spells with Tranmere and Halifax, he was transferred to Bolton in 1980. Chester signed him two years later and last season he was their top scorer with 21 goals. Lincoln signed him for £22,000 last summer.

ROSS JACK (Forward). Ross is now Lincoln's top scorer with 11 goals prior to the weekend. He, too, started with Everton and scored on his League debut — but they never gave him another chance! He joined Norwich in 1980 and two seasons ago hit 14 goals for the Canaries. Lincoln signed him for £15,000 last summer.

GEORGE SHIPLEY (Midfield). George developed with Southampton but made his League debut while on loan to Reading in 1978/79. He made a few appearances in the Southampton team the following season and then Lincoln invested a club record £35,000 fee in his transfer.

GORDON HOBSON (Forward). Gordon scored on his League debut against Cambridge in 1978 and three seasons ago was the Red Imps' top marksman with 21. He is a Lincoln discovery.



Back Row: Gordon Hobson, Ross Jack, Gary Strodder, Steve Thompson, Dave Felgate, Keith Houghton, Glenn Cockerill, Gordon Simmonite, Marshall Burke,

Middle Row: John Pickering (Assistant Manager), George Shipley, Derek Overton (Director), Denis Houlston (Chairman), Colin Murphy (Manager), Michael Pryor (Director), John Reams (Director), Philip Hough (Secretary), Phil Turner, Bert Loxley (Physiotherapist),

Front Row: Chris Moyses (Apprentice), Paul Jones (Apprentice), Stuart Hall (Apprentice).

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'Previous Encounters'

We welcome the Imps to Burnden Park for a League game for the first time since 1933.

All our previous 10 League matches before this season have taken place in the Second Division with the Wanderers having won five games to Lincoln's four.

The first League meeting between the sides took place at Bolton in September 1899. A crowd of approximately 3,000 saw a one sided game with the Wanderers having the best of the exchanges. Somerville opened the scoring for Bolton with a "long shot" and Fitchett made it two just before the interval. Gilligan added a third and Bell completed the scoring to give Bolton a 4-0 win which is the best victory in the games between the two sides.

The return at Lincoln in January 1900 saw the home side win by the only goal of the game from Scott just before half time but the Wanderers were saved from a much heavier defeat by some splendid goalkeeping from Sutcliffe.

Season 1903/04 saw Lincoln complete the double over the Wanderers with a 2-1 win here whilst a goal from O'Donnell was enough to win the game at Lincoln despite the Wanderers being on top in the last 20 minutes.

The following season the Wanderers won promotion and registered their first double with a 4-1 win at Burnden and a 2-0 win at Lincoln.

Season 1910/11 saw Bolton once again register a double over today's visitors with 3-1 scorelines in both games.

The last League game to be played here at Burnden between the two sides was in December 1933. Lincoln ran out 2-1 winners despite being at the bottom of the table and the Wanderers just on the promotion fringe. The two sides were Bolton: Church, Griffiths, Smith, Goslin, Howarth, Taylor G., Taylor G. T., Cameron, Milsom, Westwood, Rimmer.

Lincoln: McPhail, Buckley, Reddish, Barber, Young, Whyte, Horne, Jenkins, Campbell, Feaney, Wilkinson.

The Wanderers were without captain Finney and Atkinson who were both rested.

The return game the following May ended in a 2-2 draw which left the Wanderers in third place in the division, one point behind promoted clubs Grimsby Town and Preston North End. The disappointment of missing promotion was slightly cushioned the following week when the Wanderers won the Lancashire Cup with a 4-2 win over Oldham Athletic in the final at Maine Road.

Earlier this season the clubs played out a scoreless draw at Sincil Bank in the clubs' first ever Third Division meeting.

Our only Cup encounter took place in the League Cup here at Burnden in August 1977. The Wanderers won a Second Round tie with a goal from Alan Waldron after only three minutes. Bolton who were on top of the Second Division sat back and Third Division Lincoln took command of the game but couldn't pull back the deficit.

Former Wanderers' players David Felgate and John Thomas are current members of Lincoln's squad with Thomas writing his name into the Wanderers' history books by scoring their 5,000th League goal in season 1981/82.

'Flashback'

15 years ago

22nd February 1969. Bolton visited Portsmouth and came away with a point in a 2-2 draw before a crowd of 16,500. Syd Farrimond returned to the side at left back after suspension.

The Wanderers' goals came from Terry Wharton and Gordon Taylor although Wharton had to leave the field injured 10 minutes from time to be replaced by Warwick Rimmer who was making his first appearance of the year.

10 years ago

The home game scheduled for 9th February with Fulham was cancelled due to a waterlogged pitch.

16th February 1974. The Wanderers played host to Sheffield Wednesday in what was billed as a Second Division relegation battle. Don McAllister returned to the Bolton side in place of Sam Allardyce in an otherwise unchanged line up from the previous game.

Full back John Ritson powered home a 20 yard shot in the first minute and Wednesday were reeling. Bolton then scored three goals in seven minutes to give them a 4-0 half time lead.

The goal rush started in the 34th minute when John Byrom headed home a Peter Thompson corner. Peter Nicholson provided crosses for Garry Jones (37 mins.) and John Byrom again (41 mins.) to practically sew up the game.

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The second half saw Wednesday come back with Brian Joicey netting on the hour and four minutes from time forcing John Ritson to put through his own goal to leave the Wanderers 4-2 winners before a crowd of 13,405.

5 years ago

Games against Liverpool and Leeds were both cancelled due to the weather.

Stan Anderson was appointed assistant to manager Ian Greaves with the departure of George Mulhall to Bradford City.

Reserve Report

4th February 1984. West Brom Reserves 2 Bolton Reserves 1

Wanderers reserves reverted to an unfamiliar Saturday afternoon fixture to play the twice postponed fixture against last season's Central League champions at the Hawthorns.

Without the services of John McGovern and George Oghani due to the first team game and Jimmy Phillips through injury the team reverted to a sweeper system.

It worked effectively for the first 45 minutes but the defence cracked twice inside a quarter of an hour to give Albion a strong lead.

The Wanderers came back into the game when Simon Rudge blasted home from the edge of the penalty area. The move started down the right when Paul Davies, Paul Booth and Roger Walker put a good move together culminating in Davies sending in a pin point cross to Rudge who side stepped a defender before scoring.

Bolton finished the stronger side but couldn't turn their superiority in the latter stages into goals that would have kept up their much improved results of late.

Team: Platt, Davies, Deakin, S. Darby, Berry, Booth, Walker, Crooks, Rudge, Redfearn, Howard, sub: Jakeman for Walker 75 minutes.

Junior Whites News

Today's mascot is Raymond Chan who lives on Manchester Road, Bolton. Raymond is eight years old and attends St. Michael's Primary School on Green Lane. He plays football with the Junior Whites team and his favourite player is Warren Joyce.



Southern Jinx

The Wanderers' terrible record in the South of England was at last ended with the 1-0 victory at Southend in front of a large Bolton following.

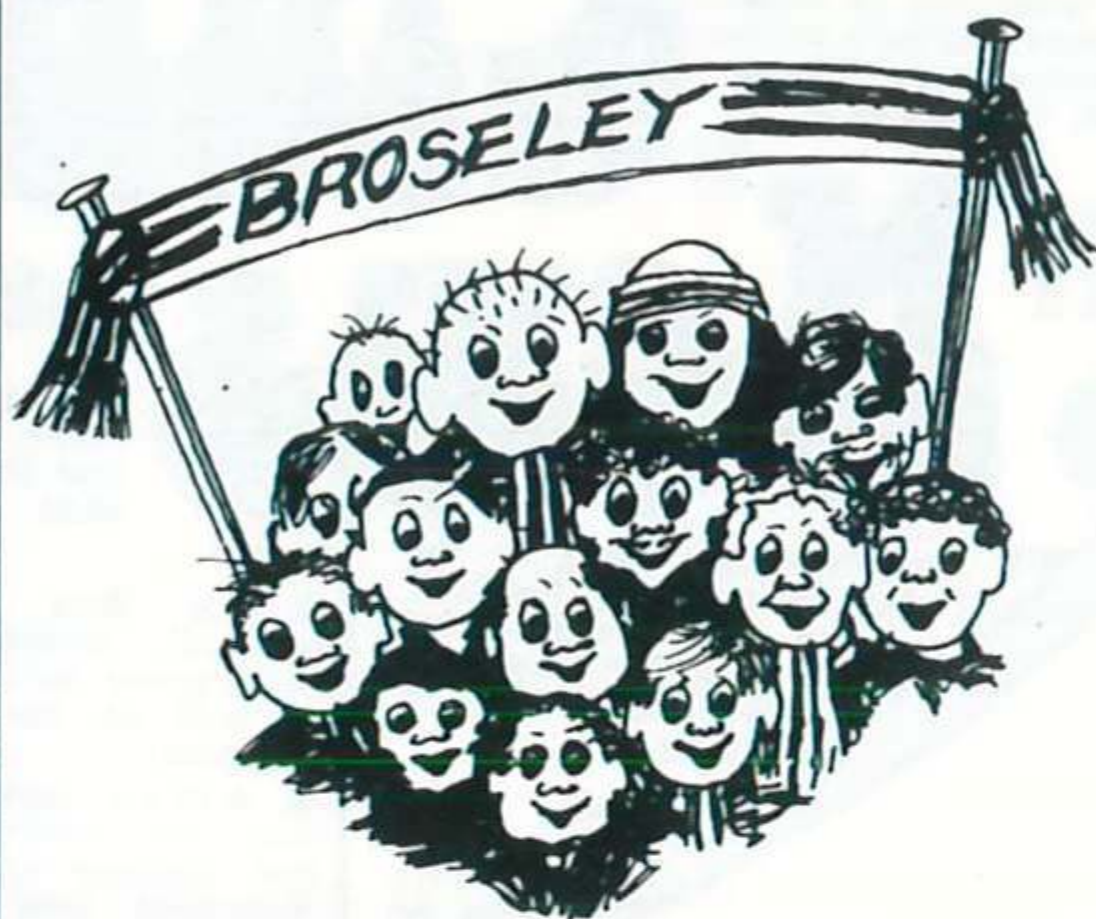
The last win South of Watford was at Q.P.R. in December 1978 and the Wanderers have now gone 22 games without a victory in the capital. With three visits still to come this season to Brentford and Millwall where Bolton have never won a League game and to Orient, never a happy ground it would appear that having ended one dismal record, all the stops are going to have to be pulled out to finally bury the southern jinx.

Pen Pals

Peter Dawson of 21 Manor Avenue, Burscough Town, Ormskirk Lancs. L40 7TH would like a pen friend who supports the Wanderers aged between 16 and 22.

P. Thomas of 11 Shardon Road, Southdene, Formby would like a female pen pal who also must be a Wanderers' supporter and aged between 17 and 20. Mr. Thomas would also like to exchange programmes as he is an Everton supporter.

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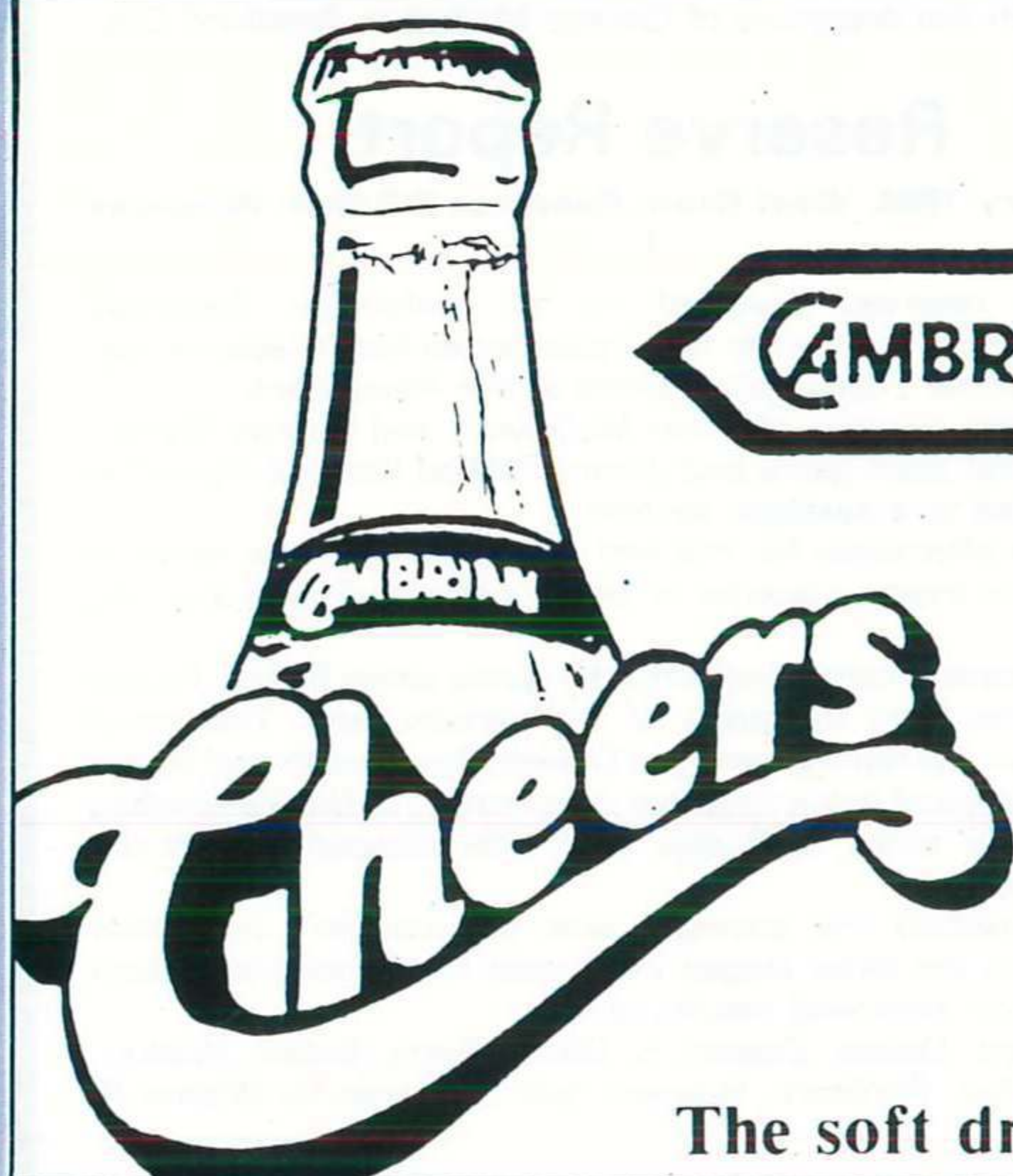
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I was talking to TV producer Fred Viner the other night — he is the Fred who John Motson made internationally famous when he kept talking to him on what he thought was a dead mike during his commentary on the FA Cup game between Liverpool and Newcastle United.

Well, "are you there Fred" is very pleased with the way the new agreement with the football authorities has gone, for his programmes of live football, which

report does cite a panel game costing £64,000 an hour to produce, in which the celebrities appearing received on average £6,500 each time.

"DERISORY"

Corresponding hourly programme costs are not as high at the BBC it must be admitted. They can produce an hour of drama at just £170,000 and an hour's light entertainment for £72,000. And sport? Well that is churned out for £20,000 an hour.

The considerable differences between the production costs of the BBC and those of the independent networks poses another question. Why is it only for football that the two sides join hands to negotiate their agreements?

The TV moguls insist it is because football wants it that way, the football authorities are not so convinced.

The truth of the matter is that football has let the telly con it again. The £5.4 million offered by the TV bosses for a two-year contract was originally described by Football League President Jack Dunnett as "derisory" and in the light of the economics of programme production, he was dead right.

At the moment TV is in the driving seat but new technological developments in communications and the inevitable introduction of cable TV means that they will not always hold the monopoly.

When that does happen then maybe football's administrators will negotiate on much more realistic terms and stop selling the game short.

SOCCER ON THE CHEAP

by COLIN BENSON

have included the games between Manchester United and Spurs and Queens Park Rangers and Manchester United have proved a tremendous success.

There is no argument that quality football as live entertainment on the small screen is excellent entertainment and has no doubt boosted the Beeb's Friday evening viewing figures.

The viewers are obviously getting good value but is football? That is the question.

If you read the report submitted by the Broadcasting Research Unit you will see that the television companies are getting our major sport very much on the cheap.

In fact sport is at the bottom end of the scale when it comes to production costs, with only studio based current affairs programmes done cheaper, and that is only a marginal difference.

SENSITIVE

The average hourly cost of sporting programmes on ITV is a mere £60,000 whereas studio current affairs programmes are budgeted at £58,900 an hour.

But you compare that with the figures relating to other programmes and you will soon see how the media is fleecing our major sport.

The IBA stations spend an average of £450,000 an hour on producing single ITV plays and for those on tape the figure is reduced to between £250,000 and £275,000 an hour. And for a situation comedy the bill is £235,000 an hour.

If you think that is exorbitant then take note of this. A live variety programme put out by ITV from a West End theatre can cost £350,000 an hour with the star performer picking up anything between £50,000 to £100,000.

I bet the likes of Bryan Robson, Glenn Hoddle and the other talented stars of our game cringe when they read this. They can be on the same field providing top class entertainment for the small screen and what do they get? Peanuts.

The independent network are very sensitive about their level of costs and programme budgets, but the



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Bradley's BRIEF



Ray Bradley of the 'Sunday Express' writes for you

The star-gazing soccer scribes looking into their crystal balls are feverishly looking around for potential fresh faces this year. I wish them luck, because there are very few twinkling stars on the horizon.

But I hasten to offer a few that might, just possibly, make the big time and join the elite princes of prosperity in 1984.

My first choice might surprise you, but comes highly recommended. He is a former electrician who might just electrify a few unconvinced critics this season.

His name is Stuart Pearce and he was playing non-league soccer less than three months ago with Wealdstone before stepping on to the First Division stage.

Coventry, a team dedicated to producing magic out of illusion, scooped him up for a bargain £25,000 fee after dithering London clubs had decided that discretion was the better part of valour. They just didn't want to put their money where their mouth was. But Cockney pride runs deep.

One renowned scout revealed: "He is not bad at that level, but he doesn't compete." Another: "The boy's got a good

left foot, but he only stands on the right." So much for articulate expertise. Sinatra always had to have Nelson Riddle backing.

Bobby Gould, an ex-plumber with more lead in his head, was more down to earth when it came to plugging into an electrician.

He watched Pearce for 20 minutes in a match at Yeovil and exclaimed: "That's the boy for me and signed him while Q.P.R. boss Terry Venables was trying to get through to his chairman.

Pearce was plunged into League action, ironically against Rangers, and has never looked back. He has a sweet left foot, is a good crosser of the ball and can also tackle — a quality that seems surplus to equipment among most First Division full-backs. He took the giant leap from Alliance League football to Division 1 in his elegant stride.

Says Pearce: "I played with Gary Waddock as a schoolboy and it was a thrill to play against Rangers who had rejected me as a junior.

"Rangers had me on trial at the start of the season but Wealdstone turned them down and when the chance came to join Coventry I jumped at it."

Newcastle striker Chris Waddle is another unlikely lad who could make it big this year. He was working in a sausage factory before being plucked from non-league soccer three years ago to join a traditional star-obsessed club and now rivals Kevin Keegan as king of Tyneside.

Waddle has a distinctive style that would curb the ardour of any self-respecting scout. He runs like a crab, but his contradictory concoction of skills is a surprise cocktail that has left opposing defences dizzy.

Yet there is a discernible buzz on the terraces every time he touches the ball because he can turn a moment of torment into delight with an unexpected goal.

It is a talent very few forwards are blessed with and he fears no comparison with Geordie greats such as Jackie Milburn and Malcolm Macdonald — two centre-forwards who blended pace with scoring power.

Says the self-effacing Waddle with typical modesty: "I am not a Macdonald or a Milburn and I have never claimed to be. No coach would even consider me as a natural striker.

"But I'm learning all the time from Kevin Keegan and I know he IS a good player."

A former electrician and a sausage seasoner seem an unlikely bet for success in a highly competitive industry. But I wish them every success.

Another young man catching the eye is coloured winger Louie Donowa. He is only 18 and was in Norwich City's F.A. Youth Cup winning side last season, but he is a natural winger with plenty of pace . . . the sort of player who gets the crowd buzzing.

As Arthur Rowe, a revered manager at Tottenham said when asked to explain the talents of George Best: "Don't ask me what he did for a living before he took up soccer. Just tell me if he has any younger brothers and I'll sign them up. In this game you don't look for answers — just results."



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ENGLAND are going backwards not forwards according to the latest European rankings issued by that influential and highly respected magazine *France Football*.

Bobby Robson's side have slumped from third place to 13th in their annual table of achievements, after 12 months in which we have been eliminated from the European Championship.

Defeat by Denmark at Wembley, where earlier we could only manage a goalless draw with Greece as well as undistinguished draws in Australia and Belfast, all added up to a year of disappointment and frustration for the England team boss and the supporters.

Perhaps our failure to beat Denmark has been softened a little by the fact that the Danes have rocketed from 23rd place last year to poll position this, a remarkable advance for Sepp Piontek's team.

They won six of their seven games last year and added a win in Greece — that was the victory which clinched them a place in next summer's European Championship finals at our expense — plus an impressive 3-1 triumph over France in Copenhagen.

Johan Cruyff, the former Dutch master, was full of praise for the Danes who he makes favourites to win the Championship, which will be played in France in June.

"They have one of the best young footballers in the world in Jesper Olsen," he says "and the rest of the team is extremely talented."

With Scotland also falling from grace — out of the European Championships as well — and dropping ten places like England, from 10th to 20th, it has been left to little Northern Ireland to fly the British flag.

Billy Bingham's side, who surprised everyone with that fine victory in West Germany over the European champions, have moved up two places on last season's table

to 10th place.

England's and Scotland's demise is somewhat overshadowed however by the incredible decline of the world champions Italy.

Ranked as the top team in Europe at the end of 1982 after their somewhat unexpected triumph over West Germany in Madrid, the Italians now find themselves bracketed with Turkey — who are in England's World Cup qualifying group for the 1986 competition — in 25th place.

Yes down 24 places, and that follows a year in which the Italian national team recorded only two victories, over Cyprus and Greece.

The form book was also turned upsidedown for Poland, beaten semi-finalists in that last World Cup competition and accordingly rated the second best team in Europe last year.

They were beaten out of sight in this current European Championship, in a group which included Portugal — the winners — Russia and Finland, and have slumped to just one place above Italy.

They join the Republic of Ireland in 21st place, an improvement of two positions for the Irish, who perhaps expected to do better with the team they have available, which includes the likes of Liam Brady, Frank Stapleton, David O'Leary, Tony Grealish, Mark Lawrenson and John Devine.

Apart from those mentioned, the only other national team to make a dramatic dive down the ladder is Switzerland. You might remember the Swiss gave England a bit of bother in the last World Cup qualifying tournament and by the end of last year had established themselves as the eighth most successful side in Europe.

In the last year they have not managed to maintain that form and have been relegated to 17th position alongside Hungary, who incidentally have shown no change in status.

The complete rankings are as follows with last season's positions in brackets:

- 1 Denmark (23)
- 2 Russia (6)
- 3 Spain (13)
- 4 Belgium (6), France (3)
- 6 Holland (20)
- 7 West Germany (3), Rumania (17), Sweden (22)
- 10 Northern Ireland (12), Czechoslovakia (10), Yugoslavia (17)
- 13 England (3), Portugal (14)
- 15 Wales (14), East Germany (14)
- 17 Hungary (17), Switzerland (8)
- 19 Bulgaria (25)
- 20 Scotland (10)
- 21 Rep. Ireland (24), Poland (2)
- 23 Austria (8), Greece (27)
- 25 Italy (1), Turkey (31)
- 27 Norway (20)
- 28 Finland (26), Iceland (28)
- 30 Albania (30), Cyprus (29)
- 32 Malta (31), Luxembourg (33)



Northern Ireland boss Billy Bingham has masterminded two victories over West Germany.

CALL FOR THE CAPTAIN

In the recent past there has been a call to give the game back to the players when it has been believed that administrators, occasionally referees and more often Managers have stolen the limelight from the men who perform out on the pitches. The problems are however that players are becoming more stereotyped, have less obvious flair than in the past and are perhaps not allowed to express themselves in a way that the public might wish to see. A few are "marketed" by agents and some have "superstar" written all over them but in the main a number appear to be interchangeable. Nowhere is this more evident than in the field of captaincy, where in modern football much of the planning is done by Managers and coaches and the player designated as captain merely calls heads or tails at the toss-up in the centre-circle. Frequently one reads in the paper that a side has changed its captain midway through the season and sometimes that team may have as many as three or four captains in one year. It was rumoured at one time that three International players turned down the opportunity to Captain England which must be the pinnacle in any player's career.

Originally the Captain was the man for all seasons in that he held a position akin to a Captain in cricket. There were no Managers or coaches and only a team Secretary who often was a player himself. As football began to evolve professionally the set-up obviously changed, but most Managers felt it was necessary to have a strong-minded and often strong physical player who commanded both the respect of his own team and also that of the opposition.

Perhaps the golden days of the Captain began in the 1930's and ran for a period into the 1960's. During the 1930's many star names appeared to spin the coin for their Clubs and their Countries and with Arsenal arguably the strongest Club side of that decade one of their players emerged as an outstanding skipper. He was Eddie Hapgood who first Captained England in the "Battle of Highbury" against Italy in November 1934, and went on to Captain England in a further 33 games. Other players who bestrode those years as Captain included Stan Cullis of Wolves, Joe Mercer at Everton, Matt Busby at Manchester City and Bill Shankly at Preston.

Obviously the Second World War interrupted the lives and careers of most players but when the games resumed, a new young breed of player and Captain came to the fore. Although Mercer may have continued, this time at Arsenal, it was another Wolves man who with his fair hair became the golden boy of both his Club and England and the youthful Billy Wright went on to create a World record by captaining England in 90 Internationals between 1948 and 1959. Ronnie Burgess of Spurs, George Hardwick at Middlesbrough and Johnny Carey at Manchester United spanned the period from the 1940's into the 1950's and Carey an Irishman was one of several Captains of English Clubs to Captain their Countries. In fact so popular was the position of Captain that a series of biographical books were published entitled "Captain of England" by Billy Wright; "Captain of Wales" by the much

lamented Walley Barnes and even "Captain of Scotland" by the excellent gentle giant George Young of Rangers. Later in the 1950's Roger Byrne, Jimmy Armfield, Don Howe and Johnny Haynes all became impressive Captains while in the 1960's with a great era coming to an end in many senses, the Captain's position was filled with enormous prowess skill and power by such men as Danny Blanchflower and Dave MacKay at Spurs, Bobby Moore at West Ham and Ronnie Clayton at Blackburn. Blanchflower will go down as one of the best and sometimes one of the most controversial of all Skippers for his Club and his Country. Under him Ireland had a marvellous revival and the Spurs double-winning side was one of the finest teams ever to lace up boots. The combination of Captain Blanchflower and Manager Bill Nicholson was a true example of what can be achieved off the field and especially on it. However Blanchflower had once relinquished the Captaincy at Spurs over a controversy which saw him swap his inside forward for his central defender, during a Cup semi-final in a desperate gamble to try to save the game. Had the gamble come off he would have received the plaudits, but as it did not, he was the one to receive the brickbats. Would there be more captains around today that would either take that chance or even be given the opportunity, from off the pitch, to take the chance.

Of course it would be bigoted and ignorant to say that there have been no good Captains since the 1960's because that would be patently unrealistic. Men such as Frank McClintock who as skipper played a major part in Arsenal's double-winning side, Emlyn Hughes who gave his all for the so successful Liverpool and for England, and the current crop of older players such as Steve Perryman at Spurs, Billy Bonds at West Ham and John Hollins at Chelsea were or still are outstanding. However the position of skipper demands, passion, pride and personality and it is a hard job to measure up to well, with perhaps Grahame Souness at Liverpool and Butch Wilkins at Manchester United fitting the bill and the new United and England Captain Bryan Robson coming into the "frame" now in this respect. In Robson we have the brightest hope and possibly one-day his namesake Stewart Robson at Arsenal may display the same qualities but for the most

part it is often extremely difficult to remember the names of Captains of League Clubs when tested on the question, unless you are a supporter of the Club in question.

The need for leadership on the field of play has perhaps never been greater and the sooner we can see players who do more than "call the coin" at the start of the match, the better will our game be served.

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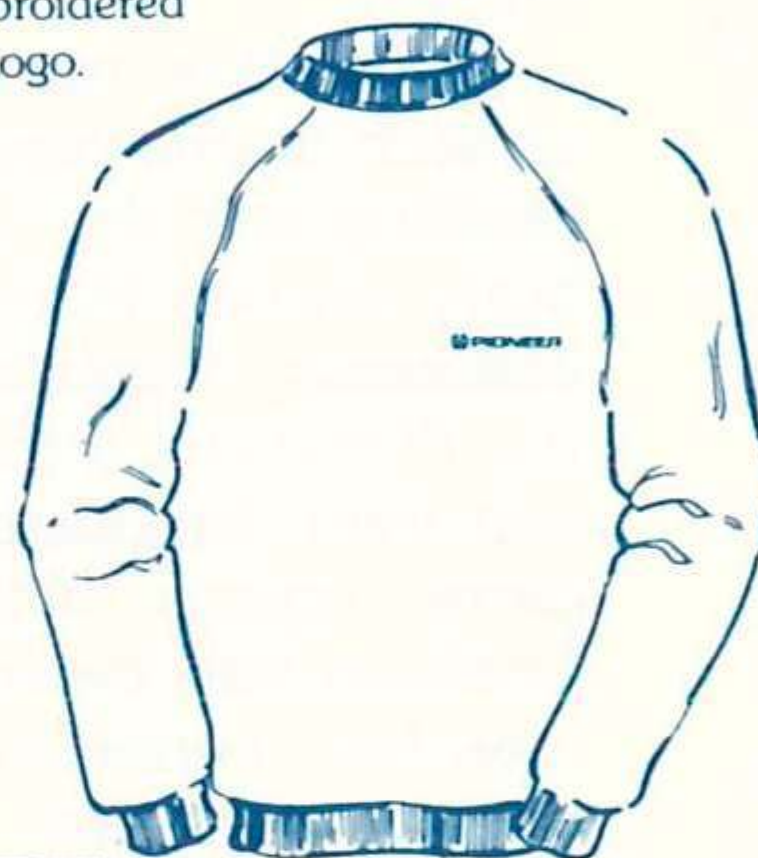
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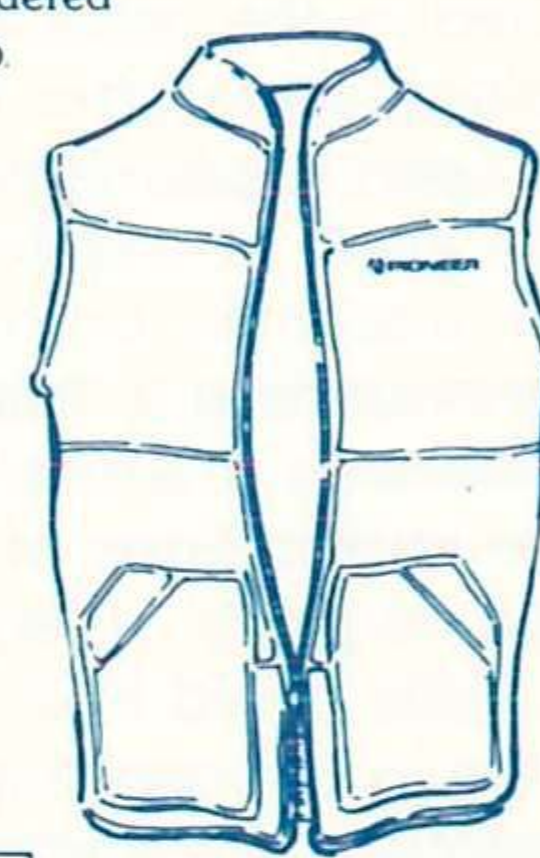


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SOUTH AMERICAN WARM UP

England have decided to fill in the vacant summer caused by their elimination from the European Championship finals by accepting an invitation to go to Brazil to participate in a six-nation tournament.

The teams competing will be Brazil, England, Argentina and Uruguay, all former winners of the World Cup, plus Holland, finalists in 1974 and 1978, and Mexico who stage the 1986 finals.

The tournament is to mark the 70th anniversary of the Brazilian Football Confederation and the opening match will be played on June 9th, with the final in Rio ten days later.

It is anticipated that England and Argentina will be kept apart in the initial stages when the competitors will be split into two groups of three.

GETTING SHIRTY

I see the Football Association have decided to ban shirt advertising for the FA Cup Final. Although sponsored shirts are allowed to be worn in the previous rounds, the official line is that they wish to protect the dignity of the final.

What a load of snobbish bunkum, and typical of the type of woolly thinking that has generally resulted in the association making decisions years after they should have been implemented.

The irony of this one is that it came practically on the eve of the FA announcing a 'Major New Sponsorship' themselves.

The implications of this ridiculous piece of legislation are that clubs could lose millions of pounds in sponsorship when they re-negotiate contracts with major companies. The possible exposure for 90 minutes in an FA Cup Final which is beamed live around the world is an obvious carrot for the major clubs to dangle before a prospective sponsor.

And talking of dignity the temporary advertising boards which huddle round the goalmouths at Wembley for all FA matches don't seem to fall into that type of thinking.

It is about time that the ageing council members got to grips with reality. Soccer needs all the

financial help it can get, and they should be conscious of this.

PAID DIRECTORS

It looks like the days of fully professional Boards of Directors are not far away. The FA Council have agreed to recommend to the AGM next May, that Football League Clubs and Full and Associate Member Clubs of the FA should be allowed to pay remuneration to any Director acting in the capacity of full-time employee of the club concerned.

UNLICENSED TO PLAY

Players from three Asian and four South American teams have got themselves into trouble with FIFA because of their involvement with a team called All Stars America. The team consisting of players from Brazil, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay toured South East Asia without receiving approval from FIFA.

Article 9 of the statutes prohibits scratch teams playing without FIFA blessing and the world governing body warned Hong Kong, Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia and the Phillipines after the first match and then discovered that two more games against Malaysia and Thailand had been played. They now face penalties or sanctions for their involvement.

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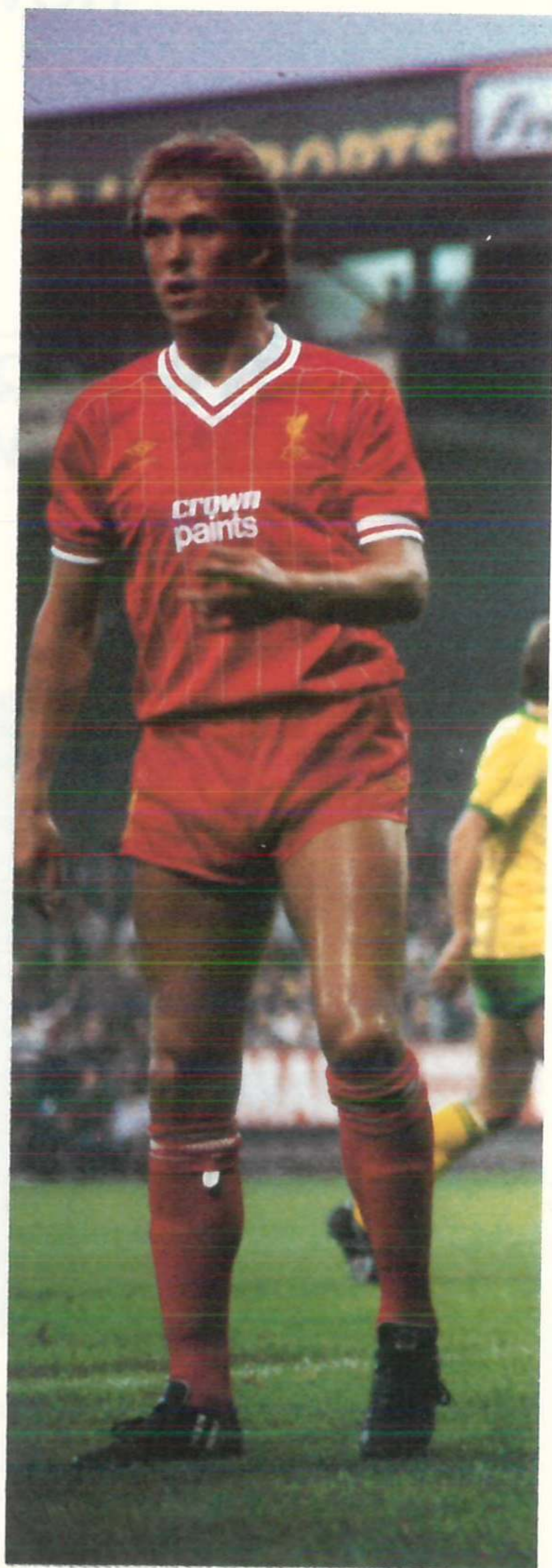
The Albanian FA, who face Poland, Belgium and Greece in Group I of the World Cup qualifying tournament next season have been fined 3,000 Swiss Francs, by UEFA for the violent conduct of their players during the European championship match against West Germany, in Saarbrücken last November.

Tomori, who was sent off for fouling Voller, was banned from three matches in UEFA competitions. There were also

fireworks off the pitch, the real kind, and the West German FA were fined 500 Francs for the behaviour of their spectators, who were no doubt relieved at seeing their team scrape into the finals at Northern Ireland's expense.

TESTIMONIAL

Phil Neal, Liverpool's England international full back has been granted a testimonial match by his club. Neal, who has made over 500 appearances for Liverpool as well as another 200 plus appearances for his previous club Northampton Town recently signed a new two-year contract.



Bolton

A-Z

Part 19 — by Tony Pullein

LOFTHOUSE, Nat. Nat was arguably the finest player ever produced by Bolton. A centre-forward who possessed all the attributes essential to his era — strength, two good feet and magnificent heading ability — Nat scored 30 goals in only 33 appearances for England.

It was in May 1952 that he earned that "Lion of Vienna" tag that remains with him to this day. Nat scored two great goals that day and it was his lone fighting spirit, on a day when most of the England team was off-form, that gave England a 3-2 victory.

Nat joined Bolton shortly before the war so, when normal football was resumed in 1946, he had reached full maturity. By 1960, when injuries forced him to retire, he had scored 255 League goals for Bolton — a club record that is beginning to look as if it will never be beaten.

He scored in the 1953 F.A. Cup final, when we lost to Blackpool, and scored both goals when we defeated Manchester United 2-0 at Wembley five years later.

Nat scored twice on his England debut in a 2-2 draw with Yugoslavia in November 1950 and a year later he became England's regular centre-forward, a position he held for five years.

Once, when playing for the Football League eleven, he scored a hat-trick in each half against the League of Ireland at Molineux.

In August 1968 he was appointed Bolton's manager.

NAT LOFTHOUSE'S LEAGUE RECORD:

		Apps.	Gls.
BOLTON	1946/47	40	18
	1947/48	34	18
	1948/49	22	7
	1949/50	35	10
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	1951/52	38	18
	1952/53	36	22
	1953/54	32	17
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	1955/56	36	32
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	1957/58	31	17
	1958/59	37	29
	1959/60	—	—
	1960/61	6	3
		452	255



McGOVERN, John. John McGovern became Bolton's player-manager during the 1982 close-season after seven glorious seasons as a Nottingham Forest player. Since his arrival at Burnden Park less than two years ago, Mr McGovern has built a virtually new Bolton team which is now making a challenge for promotion to the Second Division.

Mr McGovern spent much of his playing career under the management of Brian Clough — at Hartlepool, Derby, Leeds and Nottingham Forest. A Scotland under-23 international, he won a League Championship medal with Derby and Forest, he played in both of Forest's European Cup winning teams and appeared in three successive Milk Cup finals for the club.

JOHN McGOVERN'S LEAGUE RECORD:

		Apps.	Gls.
HARTLEPOOL	1965/66	1	—
	1966/67	31(2)	1
	1967/68	32(1)	4
	(1968/69	5	—
DERBY	(1968/69	18	—
	1969/70	32(1)	4
	1970/71	32(2)	6
	1971/72	39(1)	3
	1972/73	39	1
	1973/74	26	2
	(1974/75	4	—
LEEDS	(1974/75	8	—
NOTTM. FOREST	1975/76	41	—
	1976/77	39	—
	1977/78	31	4
	1978/79	36	—
	1979/80	41	2
	1980/81	27	—
	1981/82	26(4)	—
BOLTON P/M	1982/83	14	—
	*1983/84	1	—
*Up to the end of January.		523(11)	27

McELHINNEY, Gerry. Gerry has this season been elevated to full international status, playing in N. Ireland's last two games against West Germany and Scotland. He joined us from Distillery in September 1980, making his League debut immediately against Bristol Rovers.

Gerry's League record:

		Apps.	Gls.
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BOLTON	1980/81	17	—
	1981/82	18(1)	1
	1982/83	16	—
	*1983/84	24	1
*Up to end of January.		75(1)	2

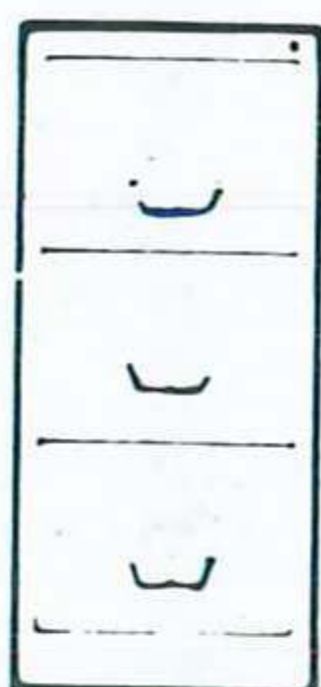
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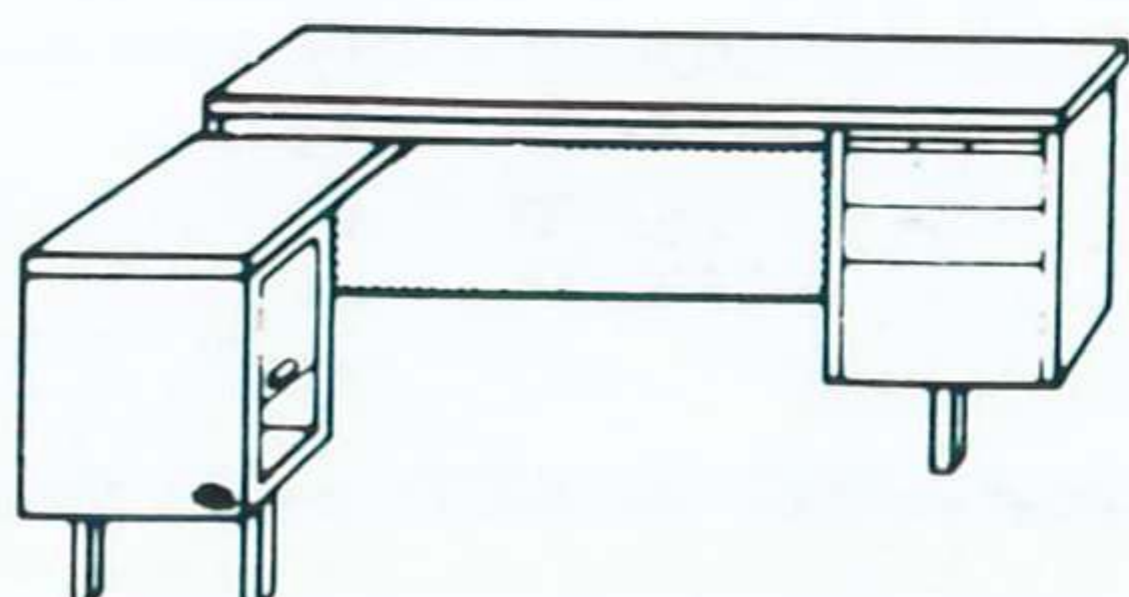
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1. Back on the goal trail! Tony Caldwell dives in for his first goal against Bristol Rovers.
2. Brian Borrows in action against Bristol Rovers.

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		6	Gillingham	3,087	0-2	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Saunders ¹	Chandler	Rudge	Caldwell ⁵	Redfean	Berry
		10	Walsall	4,375	8-1	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin ¹	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine ¹	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge ¹	Foster	Redfean	Foster
		14	Chester City MC1 (2nd Leg)	1,502	0-3	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine ¹	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Saunders	Redfean	Saunders
		16	Scunthorpe United	4,406	0-1	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine ¹	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Saunders	Redfean	Saunders
		24	Rotherham United	5,592	2-0	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Saunders	Redfean	Saunders
		27	Burnley	9,709	0-0	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce ¹	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Saunders	Redfean	Saunders
	Oct.	1	Bristol Rovers	5,651	1-2	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Berry	Redfean	Berry
		8	Exeter City	3,478	2-2	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Berry	Redfean	Berry
		15	Newport County	4,928	2-3	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Berry	Redfean	Berry
		18	Hull City	6,397	0-0	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Berry	Redfean	Berry
		22	Port Vale	4,269	2-1	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Berry	Redfean	Berry
		29	Southeast United	5,366	2-0	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Berry	Redfean	Berry
	Nov.	2	Lincoln City	3,988	0-0	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Berry	Redfean	Berry
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		17	Preston North End	6,275	2-2	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Berry	Redfean	Berry
		26	Wigan Athletic	10,045	1-0	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Berry	Redfean	Berry
		27	Oxford United	11,059	1-0	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Berry	Redfean	Berry
		31	Sheffield United	14,252	0-5	Farnworth	Borrows	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Rudge	Berry	Redfean	Berry
1984	Jan.	2	Millwall	7,054	2-0	Farnworth	Berry	Deakin	Joyce ¹	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge ¹	Redfean	Oghani
		7	Sunderland FA 3	14,018	0-3	Farnworth	Berry	Deakin	Joyce	McElhinney	Valentine	Thompson	Chandler	Foster	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani
		14	Wimbledon	2,955	0-4	Farnworth	Berry	Snookes	Joyce	McElhinney	Deakin	Thompson	Chandler	Foster ¹	Rudge	Redfean	Oghani</



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Hull City	26	9	2	1	24	7	2	18	13	51
Oxford United	26	9	3	0	34	15	6	20	20	50
Sheffield United	29	8	6	0	33	8	7	19	27	48
Bristol Rovers	28	10	3	1	28	10	3	14	23	48
Bolton Wanderers	29	9	4	1	28	8	4	12	23	47
Burnley	26	9	1	2	36	11	4	15	19	42
Gillingham	24	9	1	3	34	18	5	12	21	42
Orient	29	9	3	4	25	17	3	14	25	42
Millwall	28	11	1	2	25	13	8	21	36	40
Bradford City	26	6	6	2	34	22	7	17	21	39
Lincoln City	29	8	3	3	23	16	9	10	25	39
Newport County	26	7	4	2	18	13	6	13	27	38
Wigan Athletic	26	5	2	5	15	13	6	13	23	31
Preston North End	27	6	3	5	26	19	8	15	21	30
Plymouth Argyle	25	5	6	1	20	9	10	13	25	28
Rotherham United	25	4	4	5	12	12	8	16	25	26
AFC Bournemouth	27	6	3	4	22	15	11	12	34	26
Southend United	28	5	6	4	21	14	10	14	37	26
Brentford	27	3	5	4	20	19	9	18	34	24
Exeter City	27	3	3	8	15	24	7	19	27	22
Scunthorpe United	26	4	5	4	22	24	8	9	27	22
Port Vale	27	5	2	7	14	15	10	10	34	20

**CENTRAL
LEAGUE FIXTURES**

Date	Opponents	Goals F A
1983		
Aug.	31 Burnley	4-0
Sept.	7 Newcastle Utd.	0-2
	14 Derby County	0-6
	20 Manchester Utd.	0-2
	28 Sheffield Wed.	1-2
Oct.	4 Liverpool	0-6
	13 Nottingham F.	0-4
	19 Blackburn R.	2-4
	27 Sheffield Utd	1-3
Nov.	9 Aston Villa	0-4
	15 Everton	1-2
	23 Leeds United	2-0
	30 Stoke City	2-2
Dec	21 Newcastle Utd.	2-1
1984		
Jan.	11 Liverpool	1-2
	17 Derby County	1-0
	25 Manchester Utd.	P
	31 Sheffield Wed.	P
Feb.	4 West Brom. A.	1-2
	8 Nottingham F.	2-3
	15 Sunderland	
	22 Blackburn R.	
	29 Aston Villa	
Mar.	14 Sheffield Utd.	
	20 Burnley	
	28 Everton	
Apr.	2 Leeds United	
	11 Stoke City	
	18 Sunderland	
	25 West Brom. A.	



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UP TO AND INCLUDING 6th FEBRUARY 1984

Team	Best Attendance	Average Attendance	Leading Goalscorer
BOLTON W.	11,059 v Oxford	6,200	Caldwell 16
BOURNEMOUTH	7,220 v Newport	4,194	Morgan 13
BRADFORD C.	6,405 v Preston	3,549	Hawley 17
BRENTFORD	8,042 v Burnley	4,942	Joseph 9
BRISTOL ROV.	7,472 v Sheff. Utd.	5,657	Stephens 9
BURNLEY	12,136 v Bradford C.	7,342	Hamilton 14
EXETER C.	5,310 v Bristol Rov.	3,672	McEwan, Pratt 8
GILLINGHAM	6,226 v Millwall	4,261	Mehmet 10
HULL CITY	18,461 v Scunthorpe	9,867	Marwood 9
LINCOLN C.	6,686 v Sheff. Utd.	3,853	Jack 9
MILLWALL	6,709 v Burnley	4,823	Bremner 9
NEWPORT CO.	5,154 v Plymouth	3,567	Aldridge 18
OXFORD UTD.	12,748 v Bristol Rov.	7,384	Hebbard 9
ORIENT	4,470 v Burnley	3,267	Houchen 9
PLYMOUTH A.	10,387 v Exeter	4,638	Tynan 5
PORT VALE	7,034 v Sheff. Utd.	4,380	O'Keefe 5
PRESTON N.E.	6,661 v Hull City	4,658	Elliott 10
ROTHERHAM U.	6,298 v Hull City	4,571	Kilmore 8
SCUNTHORPE U.	4,406 v Bolton W.	2,968	Cammack 10
SHEFFIELD U.	22,756 v Rotherham	11,830	Edwards 20
SOUTHEND U.	4,272 v Millwall	2,818	Phillips 13
WALSALL	8,131 v Burnley	4,667	O'Kelly 11
WIGAN A.	10,045 v Bolton	4,100	Taylor 7
WIMBLEDON	5,667 v Millwall	3,169	Cork 23

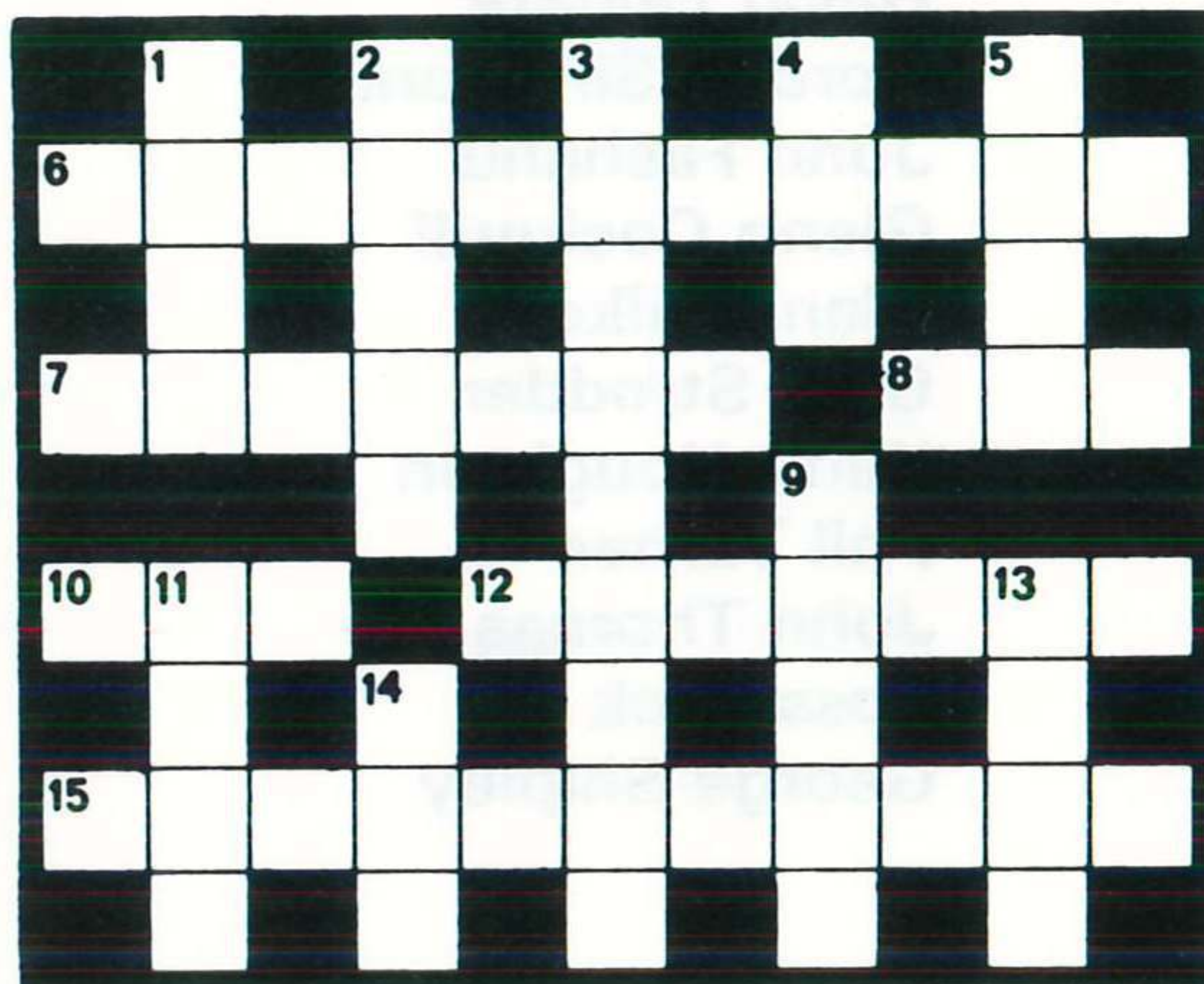
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CROSSWORD No. 19

ACROSS

6. Half-back seen with Fulham and Cardiff and, in between, Oxford and Hull, his clubs when he collected his caps for Wales (4,7)
7. One of the clubs nearly merged into Thames Valley Royals last year (7)
8. The number which would be worn by . . . (3)
10. . . . this Mountford (and Bob's not your answer) (3)
12. Midfielder who started with Sunderland and went on through Newcastle, Southend and Newport, taking up most of the 1960s and 1970s (7)
15. Well-known chairman whose managerial appointments have included Book, Bond and Benson (5,6)



DOWN

1. The first name of 12 across, say (4)
2. Concussion could come after a clash of them! (5)
3. Losing an away match would make the trip *this* in both senses! (9)
4. In October 1983 15 across completed this many years at the top of Manchester City's tree . . . (3)
5. . . . and it was also the number sported by — — — Mortensen in some of his England appearances (4)
9. One of Jimmy Greaves' clubs (5)
11. Former Rangers and Everton winger — — — Scott was indeed a Scot, and an international to boot (4)
13. Cup matches (4)
14. — — — Houghton, former Rotherham, Hull and Scunthorpe forward (3)

Answers to No. 18: **ACROSS:** 6. Barrie, 7. Scot, 8. UEFA, 9. Fairs, 11. Wigan, 12. Lamb, 14. Löhr, 15. O'Neill. **DOWN:** 1. See 5 down, 2. Griffiths, 3. Ted Fenton, 4. McCreadie, 5 & 13 & 1 & 10. *it's all about a ball (Alan Ball)*.

PICK-NICK No. 19

Solve this cryptic clue to a club's nickname and then identify the club:

MRS THATCHER'S GP SWITCH?

Answer to No. 18:
SHAYMEN (Anag) HALIFAX

ANSWERS IN THE NEXT PROGRAMME

QUICK QUIZ No. 19

1. Which player (a Scottish international) has been sent off at least twenty times?
2. Dean, Deans, Deehan and McNeil have what in common?
3. Who managed Brazil between Claudio Coutinho and Carlos Alberto?
4. How many times did England beat Brazil in their first dozen encounters?
5. What is the name of the mascot for the 1984 European Championship finals?

Answers to No. 18

1. "Pop" Robson, 2. 1965 (Liverpool v. Leeds), 3. Millwall, 4. John Kosmina, 5. Greedy.

MIXED DOUBLES No. 19

Re-order the letters in each of the words

SAME and EVENTS

to find the names of two men called "Trevor"

Answers to No. 18: CARTER, TUNKS

ON THE BALL No. 19

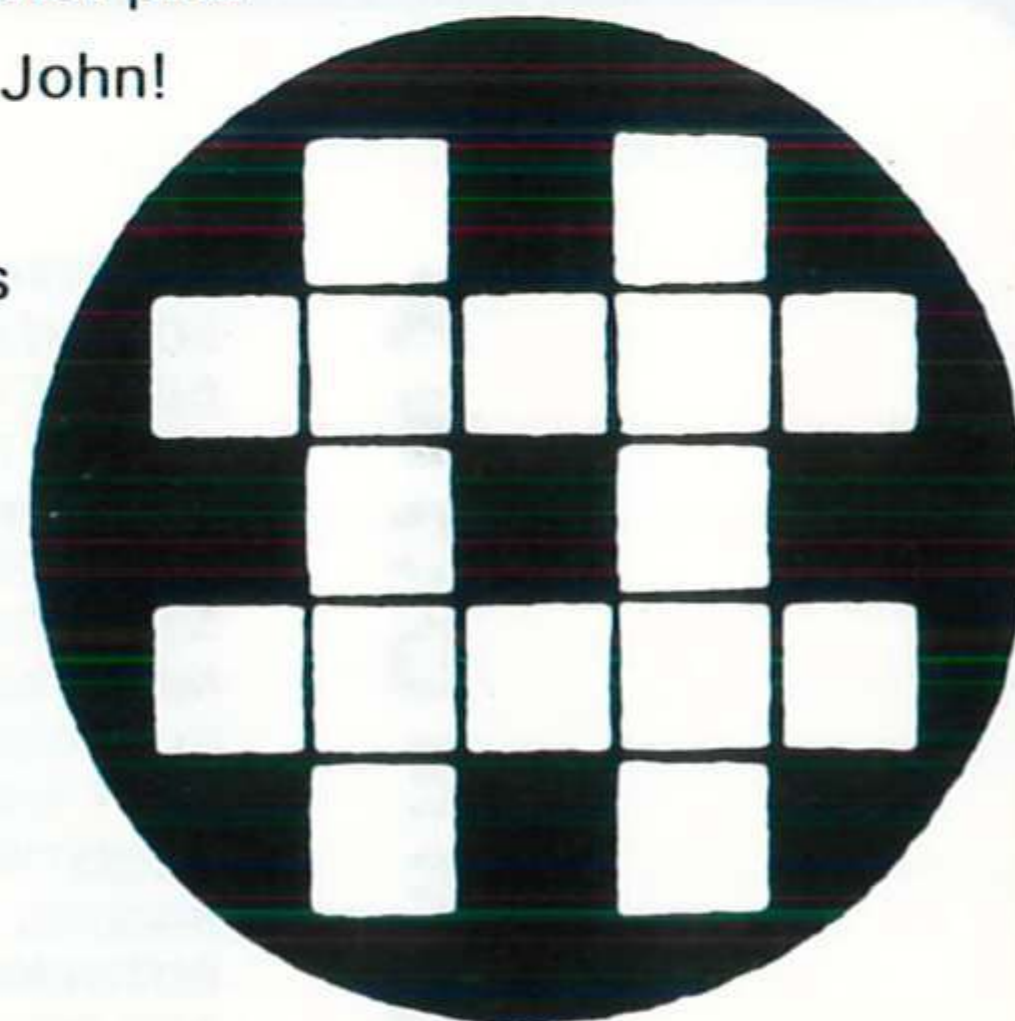
Every answer has five letters and the first one fits into the top line, but you have to decide where the rest must go.

Stoke's old John, a planet plus

Villa missing? Another John!

Equal game

Ex-West Germany boss



Answers to No. 18: MILAN, WITHE, CHRIS, PARIS.

TEAMS

BOLTON WANDERERS

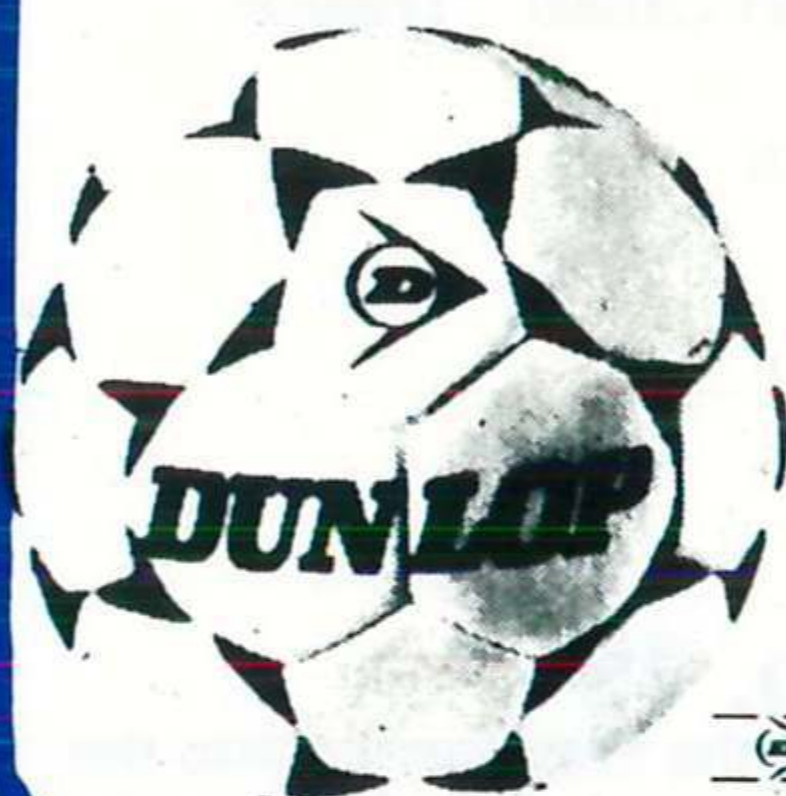
White & Navy Blue

Simon Farnworth	1
Brian Borrows	2
Eric Snookes	3
Warren Joyce	4
Gerry McElhinney	5
Peter Valentine	6
Steve Thompson	7
Jeff Chandler	8
Wayne Foster	9
Simon Rudge	10
Graham Bell	11
	12

LINCOLN CITY

Red & White

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A married man, he is an Inspector in the police force, and his interests include cricket.



LINESMEN:

A. C. ADAMS (Southport) Red Flag
E. HART (Preston) Yellow Flag

HALFTIME SCOREBOARD

**A
B
C
D
E
F
G
H**

BRENTFORD
SOUTHEND UNITED
BURNLEY
EXETER CITY
GILLINGHAM
BRADFORD CITY
NEWPORT COUNTY
MILLWALL
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE
PORT VALE
PRESTON NORTH END
BRISTOL ROVERS
ROTHERHAM UNITED
AFC BOURNEMOUTH
SCUNTHORPE UNITED
SHEFFIELD UNITED

**I
J
K
L
M
N
O
P**

WALSALL
LIVERPOOL
QUEENS PARK RANGERS
NORWICH CITY
BRISTOL CITY
BLACKPOOL
CHESTERFIELD
TORQUAY UNITED
COLCHESTER UNITED
DONCASTER ROVERS
NORTHAMPTON TOWN
ALDERSHOT
ROCHDALE
MANSFIELD TOWN
WREXHAM
YORK CITY